

## Message of the President.

### To the Senate of the United States:

In answer to the inquiry of the Senate, contained in its resolution of 17th inst., whether, in my judgment, any circumstances connected with or growing out of, the foreign relations of this country, require at this time an increase of our naval or military force; and if so, what those circumstances are," I have to express the opinion, that a wise precaution demands such increase.

In my annual message of the 2d of December last, I recommended to the favorable consideration of Congress an increase of our naval force, especially of our steam navy, and the raising of an adequate military force to guard and protect such of our citizens as might think proper to emigrate to Oregon. Since that period, I have seen no cause to recall or modify these recommendations. On the contrary, reasons exist, which, in my judgment, render it proper, not only that they should be promptly carried into effect, but that additional provision should be made for the public defence.

The considerations of such additional provision was brought before appropriate committees of the two houses of Congress, in answer to calls made by them, in reports prepared, with my sanction, by the Secretary of War and Secretary of the Navy, on the 29th of December and the 8th of January last; a mode of communication with Congress not unusual, and under existing circumstances, believed to be most eligible. Subsequent events have confirmed me in the opinion that these recommendations were proper as precautionary measures.

It was a wise maxim of the Father of his country, that "to be prepared for war, is one of the most efficient means to preserve peace;" and that "avoiding occasions of expense by cultivating peace," we should "remember also, that timely disbursements to prepare for danger frequently prevent much greater disbursements to repel it." The general obligation to perform this duty is greatly strengthened by facts known to the whole world. A controversy respecting the Oregon territory now exists between the United States and Great Britain; and, while as far as we know, the relations of the latter with all European nations are of the most pacific character, she is making unusual and extraordinary armaments and war-like preparations, naval and military, both at home and in her North American possessions.

It can not be disguised that, however sincere may be the desire of peace, in the event of a rupture, these armaments and preparations would be used against our country. Whatever may have been the original purpose of these preparations, the fact is undoubted that they are now proceeding, in part, at least, with a view to the contingent possibility of a war with the United States. The general policy of making additional war-like preparation was distinctly announced, in the speech from the throne, as late as January last, and has since been reiterated by the ministers of the crown in both houses of Parliament. Under this aspect of our relations with Great Britain, I cannot doubt the propriety of increasing our means of defence, both by land and sea. This can give Great Britain no cause of offence, nor increase the danger of a rupture. If on the contrary we should fold our arms in security, and at last be suddenly involved in hostilities for the maintenance of our just rights, without any adequate preparation, our responsibility to the country would be of the gravest character. Should collision between the two countries be avoided, as I sincerely trust it may be, the additional charge upon the treasury, in making the necessary preparations, will not be lost; while in the event of such a collision, they would be indispensable for the maintenance of our national rights and national honor.

I have seen no reason to change or modify the recommendations of my annual message in regard to the Oregon question. The notice to abrogate the treaty of the 6th of August, 1827, is authorized by the treaty itself, and cannot withhold my strong conviction that it should be promptly given. The other recommendations are in conformity with the existing treaty, and would afford to American citizens in Oregon no more than the same measure of protection which has long since been extended to British subjects in that territory.

The state of our relations with Mexico is still in an unsettled condition. Since the meeting of Congress another revolution has taken place in that country, by which the government has passed into the hands of new rulers. This event has procrastinated, and may possibly defeat the settlement of the differences between the United States and

that country. The minister of the United States to Mexico, at the date of the last advice, had not been received by the existing authorities. Demonstrations of a character hostile to the United States continue to be made in Mexico, which has rendered it proper, in my judgment, to keep nearly two thirds of our army on our southwestern frontier. In doing this, many of the regular military posts have been reduced to a small force, inadequate to their defence should an emergency arise.

In view of these "circumstances," it is my "judgment" that an increase of our naval and military force is at this time required, to place the country in a suitable state of defence. At the same time it is my settled purpose to pursue such a course of policy as may be best calculated to preserve, both with Great Britain and Mexico, an honorable peace; which nothing will so effectually promote as unanimity in our councils, and a firm maintenance of all our just rights.

JAMES K. POLK.  
Washington, March 24, 1846.

### From Texas.

By the arrival of the fine steamship Galveston, Capt. Wright, from Galveston, whence she sailed on Sunday, at noon, we are in receipt of late Texas papers. They contain, however, but little news of importance.

Nothing from Austin of the least public interest. The Legislature of the new State is busy organizing the government—adapting their laws to the new order of things.

The candidates for Congress appear to be very active. Gen. McLeod has declined to be longer considered as a candidate.

A circular of Col. Williams, who is a candidate for the second district, explains some portion of Texian history, not well understood—the armistice with Mexico. Col. Williams states that the Commissioners "did not exceed their instructions," in the treaty of armistice which they negotiated, and that therefore the whole responsibility of that treaty rested with Gen. Houston alone. It will be remembered [says the News, from which we quote,] that while the treaty itself was condemned by the people, as disgraceful and dishonorable, General Houston was exonerated from all censure. From that day down to the present time—a period of nearly three years—a very large majority of the people of Texas have honestly believed that the commissioners, Colonels Williams and Hockley, transcended the authority given them when they consented that Texas should again return to the condition of a 'department,' and acknowledge the supremacy of Mexico.

Col. Williams says: "The government of Mexico never did propose nor agree to receive Commissioners from the Republic of Texas."

We observe that the Texian papers are gradually getting "the hang" of our partisan politics. The Telegraph, at Houston, has added the word "Democratic" to its title, and says: 'The restoration of our adopted, to our country restores us to the political party with which we invariably acted previous to our removal to Texas.'

PASS HIM ROUND.—Mrs. Elizabeth Peterman, of Rochester, Fulton county, Indiana, thus notices her absconding husband: "Left my bed and board, last August, thereby rendering my expenses lighter, my dear beloved companion, David Peterman, without any just cause or provocation. All the old maids and young girls are hereby forewarned against harboring or trusting him on my account, as I am determined not to be accountable for his debts, or more especially, for his conduct. Papers will please copy, and oblige a female who is rejoicing at her happy riddance."

[Indiana Blade.]

POLAND.—There are accounts of another attempted revolution in this unhappy country. A letter received in Paris says—

"On the 9th instant, a general insurrection was to take place throughout Poland, and it was said, Galicia. I am aware of the proverbial hopelessness of any revolutionary movement, the intention to commence which is known in advance; but the incredible courage and the insupportable sufferings of the Polish people, and probably the manoeuvres of the Russian government, may, it is to be apprehended, have rendered this case an exception to that general rule. Few particulars of the projected revolt are known here, an acquaintance with them being confined to Poles, who, in their sorrow and dismay cannot be expected to be communicative. It is difficult to arrive at more than a few facts."

Why is a partner in a farm like a ploughman? Because he is a shareholder.

[For the Kosciusko Chronicle.]

### Geographical Enigma.

I am composed of twenty-four letters: My 1st 4th 6th 2d and 16, was a brave officer. My 2d 21st 4th 14th and 10th, is what no man can do without. My 3d 4th 6th 13th 3d and 16th, has caused the U. S. much trouble, &c. My 4th 2d 19th 11th 5th 11th 3d and 12th, is desired by all. My 5th 11th 4th 20th and 9th, are what the boys like best. My 6th 4th 16th and 2d, is a river in Scotland. My 7th 18th 4th 4th 4th 6th 12th 14th 3d and 12th, is a town in North Carolina. My 8th 14th 20th 18th and 9th, is a mountain in Africa. My 9th 7th 2d 8th 14th 10th 6th 8th 4th 14th and 9th, are what the ladies wish. My 10th 8th 14th 14th 6th 4th 23d and 9th, is a cape east of North Carolina. My 11th 14th 8th 20th and 24th, constitutes a part of Europe. My 12th 2d 17th 4th and 3d, is a river in South America. My 13th 11th 20th and 23d, is a river in Mexico. My 14th 11th 1st 4th 11th and 9th, is a river in Asia. My 15th 10th 11th and 3d, is one of the United States. My 16th 6th 22d 15th 4th 20th 6th 21st 16th and 9th, is a town in Louisiana. My 17th 6th 15th 4th 13th 2d 22d 18th 9th 10th 11th 16th 1st 14th 3d and 12th, was a great General. My 18th 20th 19th 6th 13th 10th 8th 12th and 24th, is a mountain in the U. States. My 19th 18th 9th 9th and 21st, is a large town in Asia. My 20th 6th 22d 11th 9th 14th 3d 7th and 16th, is a town in Pennsylvania. My 21st 14th 14th 23d 20th and 18th, is the residence of this Merchant. My 22d 18th 9th 10th 11th 14th and 23d, is a river in Arkansas. My 23d 20th 14th 21st and 11th, is a mountain in Asia. My 24th 2d 20th 19th 3d 7th 9th 14th 3d 16th and 6th, is a river in Missouri. My whole is the name of a Merchant in Mississippi, county above named.

M. A. C.

### MARRIED.

In Holly Springs, March 31st, O. J. Stafford (Junior Editor of the Holly Springs Guard) to Miss Sophia M. Fowler. In Ponola county, March 24th, Doct. John P. Wallace to Miss Eliza Ruffin. March 25th, Thomas J. Hill to Miss Jane A. Stratton. In Jasper county, April 1st, James Faley to Miss Ann M'Donald. In Copiah county, March 26th, Charles A. Pierson to Miss Clara F. Warren. In Hinds county, March 31st, Elihu Wasson to Miss Sarah Cooper.

### DIED.

In Holly Springs, March 24th, Mrs. Susan G. Edgar, in the 40th year of her age. April 3d, Henry Anderson. In Jasper county, March 30th, Thomas Riley, in his 75th year. In Vicksburg, April 1st, Maria A. B. Barnett, of Yazoo City, aged 20 years. April 2d, David Singleton, aged 25 years. In Fayette, March 26th, James B. Truley. In Cincinnati, Feb'y 20th, John Robertson, aged 42 years. Mr. R. was superintendent of the Cotton Factory at Natchez. In Woodville, April 1st, Thomas Netterville, Jr., aged about 35 years. In Hinds county, April 4th, Mrs. Sarah Ann Bridges, aged 18 years. In Copiah county, April 7th, Edward McDonnell, aged about 50 years.

William M. Cottrell is a candidate for Lieutenant Colonel, 43d Regiment, Mississippi Militia. Election on the first Saturday in May next. April 16.

### MILLINERY.

Mrs. Inskeep, of Canton, Mississippi, informs the Ladies of Kosciusko and vicinity, that she will clean and repair Braid and Straw Bonnets, in a superior manner. She keeps always on hand, a large assortment of Trimmings, Fancy and Mourning Bonnets, &c. Panama Hats cleaned and pressed. Orders left at the Store of Mr. Mosby in Kosciusko, will be sent to her. Canton, April 11th, 1846 15:3w.

### DR. J. A. NASH

WOULD most respectfully inform the citizens of Attala and the adjoining counties, that he has just received from Cincinnati, Ohio, and will continue to receive, as they are demanded, fresh and genuine Botanic Medicines, many Compounds and mixtures of purely Botanic Medicines that have never before been offered for sale in this country; and for cash will sell to families genuine Medicines cheaper than any Botanic Medicines previously sold in this country, and for a small fee will give out such directions with the medicines as to enable families to manage all ordinary sickness without the calling of a Physician. He will keep constantly on hand cathartic anti-bilious and quinine pills, ague tonic, cordial for diarrhea, compound syrup of sarsaparilla, hepatic liquid, noli emetic tinctures, female bitters, &c. &c.

In confirmation of the efficacy of the above Medicines, when rightly and timely administered, he would remark, that he has administered the above Medicines to upwards of two hundred patients within the last twelve months, without the loss of but one single patient, where he attended from first to last.

It affords me pleasure unspeakable to console myself with the idea that the success that has attended my former practice bespeaks a glorious and successful future for

J. A. NASH.  
Kosciusko, April 16, 1846 15:2m

### Ranger's Sale.

I WILL proceed to sell, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, before the Court-House door, in the Town of Kosciusko,

on Monday, the 1st day of June next, the following described stray property, viz: One dark bay horse taken up by Stephen Flowers. Said horse is about 13½ hands high, supposed to be five years old, has a black mane and tail, a small white star in the forehead, branded on the right shoulder with the letters E K, appraised at \$27 50.

One chestnut sorrel horse, taken up by Doctor H. Hughes. Said horse is about 12 or 13 years old, about 13½ hands high, has three white feet, and is blind in a manner in one eye, no marks or brands perceivable; appraised at \$35 00.

One red and white speckled steer, taken up by Isaac McWhorter. Said steer is about four years old, of ordinary size, has a brown head, marked with crop and two splits in the left ear, and under-bit in the right, no brands perceivable, appraised at seven dollars.

One sorrel colored colt, taken up by Andrew Addison. Said colt is about 10 months old, has a star in his forehead, a blemish in the left eye, left hind foot white; appraised at six dollars and fifty cents.

Five head of cattle taken up by B. F. Cox, viz:

One brindle cow about three years old, with a calf, marked with a smooth crop off the right ear, and a swallow fork in the left, branded on the right hip with figure 7; appraised at seven dollars. One white cow about three years old, with a calf, has a bob-tail, some black about her shoulders and ears, marked with a crop and split in each ear; appraised at seven dollars. One red and white pided yearling, two years old this spring, no marks or brands perceivable; appraised at four dollars.

Three goats taken up by John Tyler, viz: One is about five years old, blue and white spotted, marked with a crop off the left ear, and niche in the right. One is of a blue color about one year old, unmarked. And the other is of blue color, about six weeks old, unmarked. All appraised at three dollars.

Five head of cattle taken up by Jefferson Jenkins, viz: One black and white pided steer, four years old, marked with a crop and half-crop off the right ear, and half-crop off the left ear, no brands perceivable; appraised at five dollars and fifty cents. One dark red cow, about eight years old, white under her belly, and the points of her horns sawed off, marked with a crop off the left ear and three splits in the right, branded on the left hip with a figure 8; appraised at five dollars. One dark red yearling, marked same as cow, no brands perceivable, appraised at one dollar and fifty cents.

One dark red heifer, about three years old, with some white under her belly, marked same as cow, appraised at three dollars and fifty cents. And one red speckled cow four years old, with a calf, marked with crop, split and under-bit in the left ear, and split in the right, branded on the hip with O, appraised at five dollars.

One white and red speckled steer taken up by Mills Young. Said steer is marked with a crop and an under half-crop off the right ear and a split in the left, no brands perceivable; appraised at thirteen dollars.

LEMUEL BOWERS, Ranger.

April 16, 1846 15ts

### Land Agency.

G. W. HARLOW offers his services to non-resident Land holders, as agent for the sale of Lands lying in the county of Attala, or for the payment of taxes on the same.

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### Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, at the July Term, 1843, of the Probate Court of Attala County, Mi., on the estate of Amos W. Davis, deceased, late of said county: therefore,

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment; and those holding claims against the same, are hereby notified to present them, duly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

JOHN DAVIS, Administrator of Amos W. Davis, deceased. February 7, 1846 6:6w

### Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, at the March Term, A. D. 1846, of the Probate Court of Attala County, Mi., on the Estate of Ralph Blackman, deceased, late of said county, therefore,

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those holding claims against the same are hereby notified to present them, duly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

JOHN H. CHESNUTT, Administrator of Ralph Blackman, dec'd. March 7, 1846 10:6w

### Administrators Notice.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, at the March Term, A. D. 1846, of the Probate Court of Attala County, Mississippi, on the Estate of John R. Scarborough, Sen., deceased, late of said county: therefore,

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those holding claims against the same are hereby notified to present them, duly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

I. W. SCARBOROUGH, J. R. SCARBOROUGH, Administrators, &c. March 7, 1846 10:6w

### LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in the Post Office at Kosciusko, on the 1st day of April, 1846, which if not taken out before the first day of July next, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office, Washington City.

Andrews, Elizabeth R Kyzer John	Lowry John W
Armstrong Stephen P Kelly W J	2 Levy Chapman
Anderson, J W	2 Loughridge D E
Aden, Perry	Lybrand D D
Autry, Catharine	2 Leftwick James H
Allen, Amos T	2 Maxwell A E
Ashmore, Walker	Malet Nancy
Allen, John B	MaGill Samuel
Boyd, G D	Mouring Jackson
Butts, James E	McDaniel H
Bustamente M	Murphy Lewellen
Bosworth, John	2 Martin James L
Brown, Walter L	McLoughlin Tho's
Boswell, John F	Mabry Seth W
Bain, Murdock	Mabry Alexander
Bell, Van S	McGaffey Mary A
Brownig, Samuel	McDuffa
Burrough Josiah	Nash William
Beall, John	Nurmark
Barfield, R C	Overstreet Alex.
Brown, John A	Owen Joseph
Booker, William	Pope George Jr
Coleman, Robert L	Perry R O
Coughman, Alex. J	Perkins J R
Carver, Robert	Port Menter
Campbell, A H	Prewitt James
Coleman, William	Peter Anthony
Cowart, William	Prestridge Wm
Chapley, John	2 Pennington Isaac L
Campbell, Mary A	Preston Wm P
Crawford, John	Qualls Penn
Crowder, Hosea	Qualls Hubbard
Culpepper, Mary	Russell E P
Craft, Jesse	Roberson Edward
Claitor William	Rany John
Chesnutt Thomas	Russell J T
Cottrell William	2 Rany John W
Chesnutt B W	Seawright Andy
Cade Robert	Sanders Wm
Conn James C	Strickland Berry
Coleman John	Sullivan John B
Campbell A H	Stingley G
Caughman Alex A C	Stingley B
Coleman Reuben	Sweat Nathan
Cade David	Sheriff
Craft William	Sneed Joshua
Craft John	Smith Joseph P
Culpepper B F	Strother Thomas
Carter Alexander	Simmons Joseph
Dickinson Wiley P	Scarborough J R
Davis John T	Stewart John J
Driskill Jonathan	Steen William
Davis William	Sides Carvin
Dunn Robert H	Simmons John T
Drenon Wm A	2 Simmons John
England Charles C	Sweat James
Ellington James B	Shuler Harriet M
England Powell	Seagers Hugh
Enloe Henry	Stric land Benj
Ellington Washing'tn	2 Shuler J
Flack R K	Stephens James
Fletcher Enos	Sanders Rebecca
Griffith Lemuel	Sparks David
Gibbs Riley	Simpson Thomas M
Guynon R J	Tubbs Samuel
Garrett Mary L	Teat Henry
Gorden James H	Taylor Jesse
Gaver W B	Teat William
Garlington C	Thompson John M
Harman Jacob	3 Temple Joseph
Holmes Cyrus	Taylor John W
Hodge James M	Vick Benjamin
Harman Sarah	Waddle James
Harris T D	Wyse Joseph
Hudspeth Dr	2 Westbrook Barnebas
Herrington J W	Wingard Jonathan
Haden James	Weatherby A H
Harris Thomas	Wade Henry
Hendrix Benj	White James
Horton Charles C	Watkins Benj M
Herrin Thomas	Weatherby H C H
Harlow G W	Watts Jacob
Harmon J Jr	Ward Samuel G
Johnson John	Wallace Lavina
Jones Elisha	Wilson Isham
Irvin E C	Wilking John C
Irish Katharine	White John
Jones Travis	Wells Isaac
Johnson William	Wheeler John J
Jones Daniel P	Watson Charles
Kelly James	Wood J B
Kenon Lemuel S	Zollicoffer Frederick
King Samuel	
Kendrick B D R	
Kelly Elizabeth L	
Kendrick James M	

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised," or they may not be delivered.

S. H. CLARK, P. M.  
Kosciusko, Mi., April 2, 1846 14:3w

### STRAYS.

TAKEN UP by Dan C. Roper, Dec. 4, 1845; a large bay Mare Mule, about 14 hands high, 9 or 10 years old, with a scar on the pastern joint of the right fore foot; no other marks or brands perceivable; appraised at fifty dollars.

BY William Prestridge, January 3, 1846; a mouse colored Horse, about 13 hands high, 12 or 13 years old, with a small snip on the end of his nose, some white on the left hind foot, some kind of brand on the left hip not understood; appraised at twenty dollars.

BY Benjamin S. Tipton, on the 28th of January last, a brown colored Horse Mule, 12 or 13 hands high, supposed to be 7 or 8 years old, no marks or brands perceivable; appraised at fifty dollars.

BY John Jolly on the 31st October last, a clay bank Horse, about fifteen hands high, 9 year old, with black legs, main and tail, left hind foot white, small lump on the right side of the belly, blemish in the left eye, no brands perceivable; appraised at twenty dollars.

BY L. W. Able on the 26th of August last, a chestnut sorrel Horse, about 13½ hands high, supposed to be 7 or 8 years old, with a white spot in his forehead and some white specks on his body, no brands perceivable; appraised at twenty-eight dollars.

LEMUEL BOWERS Ranger.

March 5 1846 10:3w

### Job Work.

EXECUTED at this Office with neatness and despatch.